

Moose



Moose Seasons

Moose Tags are valid only for the WMU, moose type(s) and season(s) indicated on the tag. A Bull Tag or a Cow/Calf Tag valid for the Bows Only season (i.e. a “bow tag”) is valid only during the Bows Only season. A Bull Tag or a Cow/Calf Tag valid for the every firearm/“gun” season is valid only during that season. Calf Tags are valid for the full length of the moose hunting season(s) in the WMU they are issued for (such as in both the Bows Only and “gun” seasons).

Rifles, Shotguns, Muzzle-loading Guns and Bows (the “gun” seasons when “gun tags” are valid)

Wildlife Management Unit	Resident – Open Season	Non-Resident – Open Season
1A, 1C, 1D, 16–17, 25	September 20 to December 15	September 22 to November 15
2–4, 18A, 18B	October 11 to December 15	October 13 to November 15
5, 6, 7B, 8, 9A, 9B, 11A, 11B, 12–15, 19, 21A, 21B	October 18 to December 15	October 20 to November 15
22, 23, 28–42	October 18 to November 15	October 20 to November 15
24, 27	October 11 to November 15	October 13 to November 15
26	September 20 to October 31	September 22 to October 31
46–50, 53–63	October 20 to October 26	None

Note: The hunting of predominantly white-coloured moose (over 50 percent white) is not permitted in WMUs 30 and 31.

Bows and Muzzle-loading Guns Only (seasons when bows and muzzle-loading guns only tags are valid)

Wildlife Management Unit	Resident – Open Season	Non-Resident – Open Season
7A	October 18 to December 15	October 20 to November 15
18B	September 20 to October 10	September 20 to October 10

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Bows Only

(seasons when “bow tags” are valid)

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2–4, 18A, 24, 27	September 20 to October 10	September 20 to October 10
5, 6, 7B, 8, 9A, 9B, 11A, 11B, 12–15, 19, 21–23, 28–33, 35–42	September 27 to October 17	September 27 to October 17
46–50, 53–63	October 4 to October 10	None

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Resident Seasons with Controlled Hunter Numbers

Wildlife Management Unit	Resident – Open Season	Firearm Type	Restrictions
11B	September 27 to October 17	Rifles, Shotguns, Muzzle-loading Guns	For hunters with a lower limb disability (notes below).
65	October 5 to October 7	Bows Only	For hunters with a lower limb disability (notes below). Notes on WMU 65 below (p.58).
65	October 8 to October 14	Bows Only	Notes on WMU 65 below (p.58).

Moose Hunting Requirements

Anyone wishing to hunt moose in Ontario must have the following:

- Outdoors Card
- Moose Licence listed on your Licence Summary
- Moose Tag (valid for the appropriate season/firearm, area, and type of moose) **or** be party hunting with a person who has a valid Moose Tag
- proof of firearms accreditation (if you are hunting with a gun)

Reminders

Applying to the Moose Tag Allocation Process does not provide you with a moose licence. To party hunt with a tag holder, you must purchase a Moose Licence prior to your hunt. In order to hold a Moose Tag you must purchase a Moose Licence.

A Moose Licence does not include a Calf Tag. WMU-specific Calf Tags can be applied for through the allocation process described on p.58 of this section and at ontario.ca/MooseTagProcess.

Tag types are:

- Bull Tags valid only for the harvest of a bull moose and specific to a WMU and season (such as Bows Only season)
- Cow/Calf Tags valid for either a cow OR a calf moose and specific to a WMU and season (such as gun season)
- Calf Tags valid only for the harvest of a calf moose and specific to a WMU and all seasons (such as both the Bows Only and gun seasons)